

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:  
Neil A.A. Simpson, et al.  
Serial No.: 10/809,036  
Confirmation No.: 5819  
Filed: March 25, 2004  
For: TUBING EXPANSION

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Group Art Unit: 3735  
Examiner: Debra M. Sullivan

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED OCTOBER 21, 2008**

In response to the Final Office Action dated October 21, 2008, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on January 21, 2009, please enter this response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782/CRUI/0011/NVBP for any deficiencies and credit any overpayment required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. **Remarks** begin on page 12 of this paper.